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PPNA Comments on 2012 Redistricting Process

Attachments:

PPNA Redistricting Reponse.pdf

Peggy,

Please accept the attached comments from the Powderhorn Park Neighborhood Association (PPNA). Our Housing, Land Use and Economic Development Committee Chair and I will be at the public hearing on March 1 and plan to make comments.

Let us know if you have any questions or need anything further.

Thank you,

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Minneapolis Charter Commission - Redistricting Group c/o City Clerk's Office City of Minneapolis 350 South 5th Street, Room 304 Minneapolis, MN 55415

Dear Chair Barry Clegg and Redistricting Group Members:

On behalf of the Powderhorn Park Neighborhood Association (PPNA) and its Board of Directors, I am submitting the organization's formal comments on the redistricting process and proposed Draft Ward Maps (version 2/15/2012).

For the past decade, the Powderhorn Park neighborhood has been divided between Wards 8 and 9. The proposed Draft Ward Maps would redraw the border between Wards 8 and 9 and place it further west to Chicago Avenue. This change would place our neighborhood completely in Ward 9. PPNA feels this change appropriately meets two of the Commission's Standards:

- Wards should be contiguous and compact
- Keep communities of interest (Powderhorn Park neighborhood) in one district to the extent possible

PPNA was concerned with earlier versions of the redistricting map which did not use Chicago Avenue as the new border, but went farther west into the Central Neighborhood. We strongly encourage the Redistricting Group to use Chicago Avenue as the border between Wards 8 and 9.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Becky Timm

Executive Director

Cc: Councilmember Elizabeth Glidden Councilmember Gary Schiff